# BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATING PERSONNEL IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Thursday-Friday, December 15-16, 2016

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Hawaii Water Services – Customer Service Conference Room, 1 Quarry

Rd, Waikoloa, HI 96738

Attendees: Robert Souza (RS), Chair, City and County of Honolulu

Dr. Roger Babcock (RB), Vice-Chair, University of Hawaii Faculty (on phone)

Kevin Nakamura (KN), Department of Health

Virgilio Viernes (VV), County of Maui Ron Hay, P.E. (RH), Private Sector

Lee Mansfield, P.E. (LM), Professional Engineer in Private Practice

Loren Tanigawa (LT), County of Kauai

Guest: Jennifer Parker, Aqua Engineers

#### **MINUTES**

# A. Call to Order at 11:41 on December 15, 2016 by Robert Souza

# B. Review October 2016 Meeting Minutes

1. The minutes of the October 27, 2016 Board of Certification (BOC) meeting were approved.

### C. Old Business

- Request for classification of Wailehua WWTP on Oahu. Babcock and Souza will do it. PENDING
- Letter response to Athan Adachi. Kevin has prepared a draft letter. PENDING

#### D. New Business

- 1. Revise 11-61. Each board member will work on revisions prior to Feb meeting and will be discussed then. PENDING
- Revise Temporary Certification Application: DRC section. A draft was circulated. PENDING
- Renewal Carl Saxer. Ken Kerri course repeated 14 years later. Not approved for CEUs. BOC will review the policy and decide at the February meeting
- 4. Permanent Gr. IV Certificate for Brydon Burdett: He passed the Grade IV CBT and will be issued a new Grade IV license.
- 5. DRC Notifications

- a. Kaupulehu WWTP, DRC Shane Van Buskirk Grade IV
- b. Manele WWTP, DRC Frank Rodrigues Grade IV
- c. Punaluu WWTP, DRC Steven Zhylut Grade III
- d. Kailua WWTP, DRC Harry Hauck Grade IV
- e. CCH must revise their form such that the DRC of the facility is listed, not a list of supervisors.
- 6. CBT Exam Results and Applications.
  - a. For period 9/30/16 10/31/16: Grade 2: 2 took and 2 passed; Grade 3: 1 took and 1 passed; Grade 4: 4 took and 1 passed
  - b. Kelika Higa, Gr 1: Approved
  - c. Lloyd Takeda, Gr 4: Denied, short on CEUs
  - d. Michael Perreira, Gr 1: Approved
  - e. Jeffrey Lasack, Gr 2: Denied, short on CEUs
  - f. Piilani Watts, Gr 3: Approved
  - g. Jon Nakamura, Gr 4: Approved
  - h. Chad Arima, Gr 2: Approved
  - i. John Choate, Gr 1: Approved
  - j. Michael Tugadi, Gr 3 and 4: Approved

# 7. Requests for CEUs:

- a. Gary Okamura awarded 2.9 CEUs for WEFTEC 2016
- b. Eran Martan awarded 34.6 CEUs for Central Arizona College and UH Hilo for math and science courses plus 12 that can only be used toward Grade 3 or 4 exams.
- c. HRWA submitted for approval 14 operators who attended the HRWA November Conference: Awarded the following CEUs: Steven Bacalso (0.625), Gilbert Bettecount (0.5), Eugene Callnan (0.625), Roy Constantino (1.0), Nicolas (0.625), Thomas Johnson (0.625), Cassandra Martin (1.0), Guy Moriguchi (0.625), Randy Nemeyers (0.625), Parabicoli (0.625), Gillie Silva (0.375), Lyle Tabata (0.875), Walter Urban (0.875), Romeo Yanos (0.625)
- d. Wesley Harshell awarded 22.67 CEUs for Solano Community College for math and science courses plus 4.0 that can only be used toward Grade 3 or 4 exams.

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- 8. Requests for Reciprocity:
  - Jared Noble applied for Grade IV reciprocity from Georgia.
    Denied HI does not grant reciprocity for GA.
- 9. Requests for Temporary Certification: None
- 10. Wastewater Treatment Plant Classifications: None
- 11. Request for Course Evaluation for CEU approval:
  - a. Jordan Fahmie. Submitted for Board approval, 2017 Pacific Water Conference on February 14-16, 2017. Approved for 1.0 CEUs for each 8 hours of contact time in all tracks.
- 12. February 2017 paper Examination applications
- 13. Planned meetings, exams, deadlines for 2016
  - a. Meetings: Feb 15 (at HWEA PWC), Mar 9-10 (Hilo), May 4 (Oahu), June 22-23 (Kauai), Sep 8 (Oahu), Oct 5-6 (Maui), Dec 14-15 (Kona)
  - b. Exams: Feb 9 (app due Dec 2); Aug 17 (app due Jun 16)

## E. Adjournment: December 16, 2016 – 2:00 pm

Next BOC Meeting: February 15, 2017 (Oahu at Pacific Water Conference)